

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/751,882	GAEDEKEN ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 9/7/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 102,103,113-123.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
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Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 102, 103 and 113-123 allowed over prior art.
2. The following is a statement of examiners reasons for allowance: Applicant has canceled previously rejected claims 1-101 and 104-112, and as indicated in the previous office action claims 102, 103 and 113-123 contain allowable subject matter.

Although the combined prior art disclose interfacing a first data bus to a data interface (ports/interface link layer), directly/indirectly interfacing between various nodes/devices, which are FANP nodes/device, wherein a plurality of 1394 buses are utilizes wherein there is a first bus and a plurality of additional 1394 buses are utilized along with associated registers, uplink means/upstream nodes (FANP nodes, such as gateway 105) recognized downstream node (NIU) transmitting data via 1394 bus on the uplink configured and adapted for receiving data packets from the data bus, each of the data packet is associated with one of a plurality of channels, determining the channel with which each data packet is associated with, predetermined destination or channel number associated with the communication from a first bus to a second bus, multiple registers associated with destination identifiers, wherein destination address or channel number is associated with a specific register, a computing process a bus enable register that monitors bit configuration, bus enable register is coupled to a bus address register that is associated with destination address, they fail to teach or suggest with respect to claim 102, uplink comprise packetizer able to repack data packets received from the first data bus into a format of the transmission path that is different to the format of the first data bus, with respect to claim 103, a packet separator able to repack data packets received from the first data bus into a format of the transmission path that is different to the format of the first data bus, with respect to claim 113, an acknowledge code generator that generates an

acknowledgement to be sent to the originator of a data packet accepted from the data bus it is connected to and transmitted via a transmission path to a predetermined destination different to itself, with respect to claim 117, a response packet generator that generates a response to the destination of an acknowledge code.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Prenell P. Jones whose telephone number is 571-272-3180. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00-5:30.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chi Pham can be reached on 571-272-3179. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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